

These are the minutes of the Regular Session of the City of Adams, WI held on December 17, 2007 in the City Municipal Building.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Romell. On roll call were Alderpersons Jensen, LaQuee, Manthey, Sherd, Smith, Williams, Mayor Romell, Administrator Ellisor, Chief Hanson, and Street Superintendent Mead. Attorney Pollex was excused.

Motion by Williams, second by Jensen to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2007 meeting as printed. Roll call vote, all voted aye.

Petitions and Communications: None presented.

Report of Standing Committees:

Planning Commission:

In public hearing, discussion held on zoning change from Single Family District to Two Family District in Werners Subdivision (228 N. Pine Street).

In regular session, recommendations were made to approve a change in zoning from Single Family District (R-1) to Two-Family District (R-2) for property located in Block 5, Lots 17-20 in Werners Subdivision (228 N Pine Street) contingent upon two approved exits per building.

Public Safety:

In petitions and communications, discussion was held on the trapping of feral cats. Mr. Ranta questioned yard maintenance policies.

Motions were made to approve the Police Report.

Motions were made to approve the Building Inspectors report.

Recommendations were made to purchase a Ford Expedition for \$25,356.00 for the Police Department.

Public Works:

In petitions and communications, discussion was held on clearing City sidewalks. Administrator Ellisor met with the new Rural Development representative.

Motions were made to clean Well #2, not to exceed \$10,000.00.

Rob Uphoff presented the map plan of the Walking Trail. Administrator Ellisor will bring back figures next month on financing of the sidewalk project and ditch.

Discussion was held on the damaged sidewalk at the corner of Pine Street and Center Street. MSA will do a follow-up.

The South Business Park has had no changes since the last meeting.

Administrator Ellisor stated Marquette-Adams Telephone CO-OP is interested in using the West Side Water Tower. He will talk to the CO-OP about an agreement. Recommendations were made for Administrator Ellisor to reach an agreement with Marquette-Adams CO-OP with assistance from MSA. Recommendations were to accept the agreement offer from Grande Cheese on removal of the Water Storage Tank.

Fire District:

Motions were made to accept the minutes.

Motions were made to accept the financial report as presented.

Chief's Report:

There were 10 calls, none in the City.

All truck maintenance is completed.

Corrosion on the frame rails of Number 303 to be repaired in January.

The parade truck is stored at Bernie Bays which leaves more room in the Station.

Need to replace the tanker at the Strongs Prairie Station.

Report of City Officers:

Mayor Romell: reported on the County Vision Team Meeting.

Administrator Ellisor: reported that Rural Development is still active; funds of \$30,000 in water and \$80,000 in sewer remain. The application for the well is still pending. He met with Julie Giese, the new RD Administrator last week relating to the monies to fund the new well. He stated that Rural Development is familiar with the City and there is a favorable working relationship with Rural Development.

Police Chief: stated the 3rd set of 20-25 notices were mailed to owners of blighted properties. He stated that due to snow cover, the Department will only pursue the removal of junk vehicles.

Street Superintendent: reported that sidewalks are not being cleared properly according to City Ordinance. The ordinance states sidewalks are to be kept free and clear of snow and ice. There are properties that have never been shoveled and that Public Works will be clearing those and billing the owners. He stated that most people are complying with the alternate street parking. He reported that citations are being issued and a car was towed last week.

New and Unfinished Business:

Motion by LaQuee, Second by Jensen to table the connection of utility for south of the railroad tracks. All voted aye.

Motion by Williams, Second by Sherd to approve pay request #18 to D.L. Gasser in the amount of \$193,708.69. All voted aye.

Motion by Williams, second by Sherd to table the purchase of a new squad car for one month. Sherd, Smith, Williams, Manthey – aye, Jensen and LaQuee – nay. Motion passed.

Motion by Manthey, second by Sherd to waive the second reading of Ordinance 03-2007 to allow action this evening. All voted aye.

Motion by Williams, second by Manthey to adopt ordinance 03-2007 relating to zoning change from single family to two-family for property located in block 5, lots 17-20 in Werners Subdivision contingent upon the building code requiring two exits. All voted aye.

Motion by LaQuee, second by Sherd to give the holding tank to Grande Cheese and to be removed by June 1, 2008 at no charge to the City. All voted aye.

Motion by LaQuee, second by Jensen to table the abatement of property located at 140 N. Kenwood Street. All voted aye.

Motion by Williams, second by LaQuee to continue with the abatement of property located at 256 S. Werner Street. All voted aye.

Motion by Williams, second by LaQuee to continue with the abatement of property located at 725 E. May Street. All voted aye.

Motion by Williams, second by LaQuee to continue with the abatement of property located at 210 N. Linden Street. All voted aye.

Motion by Williams, second by Manthey to continue with the abatement of property located at 157 N. Pine Street. All voted aye.

Motion by Williams, second by Manthey to continue with the abatement of property located at 550 W. Center Street. All voted aye.

Motion by Williams, second by Sherd to table the abatement of property located at 112 N. College Street. All voted aye.

Motion by Williams, second by Manthey to adjourn. All voted aye.

Janet L. Winters
Clerk/Treasurer